UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SCOTT A. STEPIEN,

Plaintiff.

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ORDER 08-CV-487

DAVID S. SCHAUBERT, et al.,

Defendants.

This case was referred to Magistrate Judge Hugh B. Scott, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). On July 30 and 31, 2009, defendants filed motions for summary judgment. On February 23, 2010, Magistrate Judge Scott filed a Report and Recommendation, recommending that the motions for summary judgment be granted.

Plaintiff filed objections to the Report and Recommendation on March 22, 2010. Oral argument on the objections was held on May 10, 2010, however plaintiff failed to appear.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), this Court must make a <u>de novo</u> determination of those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which objections have been made. Upon a <u>de novo</u> review of the Report and Recommendation, and after reviewing the submissions and hearing argument

from the defendants, the Court adopts the proposed findings of the Report and

Recommendation.

Accordingly, for the reasons set forth in Magistrate Judge Scott's Report

and Recommendation, defendants' motions for summary judgment are granted

and the case is dismissed in its entirety. The Clerk of Court shall take all steps

necessary to close the case.

SO ORDERED.

s/Richard, J. Breara

HONORABLE RICHARD J. ARCARA UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATED: May 11, 2010

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